

Range control: 24/7 support to Fort Sill

Did you know the Fort Sill Range Control Branch was selected by Department of the Army as the best range control for a Tier II installation? It operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week to include live-fire training. The range and training area complex consists of 45 active ranges, including three convoy live-fire courses and more than 125 firing points. The ranges are supported by more than 30,500 acres for small arms and artillery impact areas. Adjoining the ranges are 84 maneuver training areas covering

48,580 acres. Those maneuver ranges are capable of supporting field artillery fires brigades, battalion- and brigade-level combat support, service support, light brigade combat team and an aviation support battalion. There are two airborne drop zones and a tactical airstrip carved out of the maneuver training areas. There are five improvised explosive device defeat lanes totaling approximately 45 miles. Fort Sill's impact area is covered by restricted airspace R5601, which supports live drops with F-16



Did you know?

By Col. Raymond Lacey
Fort Sill Garrison commander

Falcons and F/A-18 Hornets dropping up to 2,000-pound MK84 bombs. There are two close air support boxes, one live and one inert. Our range staff is comprised of 79 personnel, including six integrated training area management personnel and two contractors, who operate and maintain the IED lanes. Other

staff members perform scheduling, safety oversight, range maintenance, land management and supply functions. They are experts in room clearance and IED procedures, and they conduct surface clearance in the impact area for unexploded ordnance for target insertions and new targets for ranges.

They have a combat conditioning course and a confidence obstacle course, which are great for physical training. All personnel are trained to do whatever is needed to assist leaders in training. There are more than 500 fixed and 1,000 deployable targets arrayed on Fort Sill's ranges. That figure is expected to grow with three new ranges: a Modified Record Fire Range, Fire and Movement Range and an Infantry Squad Battle Course. There is also a planned Combined Arms Collective Training Facility

for fiscal 2016, adding the need for more sustainment funding. To make a request or to schedule range facilities or training areas go to <https://range.sill.army.mil> as early as possible. To reach me To send questions or comments to me, please e-mail fscms@conus.army.mil or you can mail your comments to Commander, USAG-Fort Sill, 462 Hamilton Road, Suite 120, Fort Sill, OK 73503. Thanks and have a great Fort Sill day.

Worship opportunities

Buddhist
SGI-USA 1st-414th Battalion Classroom No. 2, Building 6076, Sunday, 3 p.m.

Church of Christ
Quarry Hill Chapel, 6008 Gordon St., Sunday, 11 a.m.

Episcopal
Old Post Chapel, 425

Hamilton Road, Sunday, 10 a.m.

Islamic
Islamic studies, Lesh Barracks, Building 5955, Classroom 1, Sunday, 8-10:30 a.m.

Jewish
Shabbat services,

Kiddush and homemade challah and hummus is Friday, 6:30 p.m.; services and Torah study, Kiddush with traditional cholent; Kabalat Shabbat is Saturday, 10 a.m.; Third meal with Torah study is Saturday, 7:30 p.m. all at New Post Chapel

Latter-Day Saints
Building 5970, Room 1, Sunday, 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Community liturgical
Grierson Hill Chapel, Building 3280 Crane Ave., Sunday, 9 a.m.

Protestant
Frontier Chapel Center, 4121

Thomas Road, Sunday school is 9:30-10:30 a.m.; and children's church and gospel services, 11 a.m. Bible study, Tuesday, 7 p.m.; Sisters Abiding in Christ, second Saturday monthly, 9 a.m.; Conquerors for Christ, third Saturday, 9 a.m.

■ New Post Chapel,

1005 Shade Ave., collective service, Sunday, 9:30 and 11 a.m. children's church, 11 a.m.

■ Hospital chapel, collective service, Tuesday, noon Protestant Youth of the Chapel (sixth-12th), Sundays, 6-8 p.m. Frontier Chapel, 4121 Thomas St.

Roman Catholic

■ Frontier Chapel Center, Saturday, confessions, 4:30-5:15 p.m.; Vigil, 5:30 p.m.; Mass, Sunday, 9:30 a.m.; weekday Masses, Tuesday through Friday, 11:45 a.m.; Bible study, Monday, 9:30 a.m. Mass, 8 a.m.

■ Grierson Hill Chapel, Sunday, Mass, 11 a.m.

Wicca
RSOC, Room 143, 2934 Marcy Road, Sunday, 9 a.m.

LifePoint
A contemporary worship experience, Sunday, 11 a.m., RTCSC Auditorium, 2934 Marcy Road.

Frontier Chapel Gospel Service
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